

12 October 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 12 October 1979

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Mr. Dirks chaired the meeting; the Director was attending a Business Council meeting at Hot Springs, Virginia, and Mr. Carlucci was [] on official business. []

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Hitz explained scuttlebutt passed to him by Ralph Preston, HAC Staff Director, re the absence of a continuing budget resolution needed to pay Federal employees. Wortman explained how DDA is preparing for a potential half-pay situation. It was speculated that a special resolution would be passed imminently to remove the pay situation from continuing debate on the abortion issue. []

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Referring to our reporting on Central and Latin America, Hitz said the HAC is preparing for a Senate conference on this topic. He said he was told by Preston the HAC wants to hold a hearing with intelligence witnesses on/about 1 November--before the Senate conference. Clarke said he would get back to Hitz on this. []

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Wortman spoke further on the pay problem as it affects supergrades and EP levels, i.e., how Congress will resolve the issue of a 7 percent raise in addition to the 5.5 percent raise denied a year ago. He said our computer capability is not up to juggling all the variables that can be considered beforehand. []

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Dirks said he has heard from OD&E that IOB's Kujovich and the Acting Inspector General, DoD, plan to visit []

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[] Dirks said he did not know any of the details, and Waller said he had not heard about this. Waller said Dirks should advise OD&E to recommend to IOB that they present their request to visit, with specifics, in writing and that the matter be handled by Silver and Waller. Waller noted he had arranged some time ago a visit by Kujovich to COMIREX on this matter. []

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McMahon highlighted a cable from our Ambassador in San Salvador that U.S. Peace Corps vehicles had been set afire and that local police had been instructed not to interfere. McMahon said the Ambassador is seeking help toward issuing a demarche. [REDACTED]

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McMahon noted from a report on the recent Karamanlis/Brezhnev meeting that no formal agreements were achieved and, from a health point of view, Brezhnev seemed a "walking zombie;" he took almost no part in conversations and, when addressed, others answered for him. [REDACTED]

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